

68-2-22. Electronic prescription transmission. (a) Each prescription drug order transmitted electronically shall be issued for a legitimate medical purpose by a prescriber acting within the course of legitimate professional practice.

(b) Each prescription drug order communicated by way of electronic transmission shall meet these requirements:

(1) Be transmitted to a pharmacist in a licensed pharmacy of the patient's choice, exactly as transmitted by the prescriber;

(2) identify the transmitter's phone number for verbal confirmation, the time and date of transmission, and the identity of the pharmacy intended to receive the transmission, as well as any other information required by federal and state laws and regulations;

(3) be transmitted by an authorized prescriber or the prescriber's designated agent; and

(4) be deemed the original prescription drug order, if the order meets the requirements of this regulation.

(c) Any prescriber may authorize an agent to communicate a prescription drug order orally or electronically to a pharmacist in a licensed pharmacy, if the identity of the transmitting agent is included in the order.

(d) Each pharmacist shall exercise professional judgment regarding the accuracy, validity, and authenticity of the prescription drug order communicated by way of electronic transmission, consistent with existing federal and state laws

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and regulations.

(e) All electronic equipment for receipt of prescription drug orders communicated by way of electronic transmission shall be maintained so as to ensure against unauthorized access.

(f) Persons other than those bound by a confidentiality agreement shall not have access to pharmacy records containing confidential information or personally identifiable information concerning the pharmacy's patients.

(g) If communicated by electronic transmission, the prescription drug order shall be maintained in hard copy or as an electronic document for the time required by existing federal or state laws and regulations, whichever is longer.

(h) Any prescription drug order, including that for any controlled substance listed in schedules III, IV, and V and, in certain situations, that for any controlled substance listed in schedule II, may be communicated by way of electronic transmission, if all requirements of K.A.R. 68-20-10a are met.

(i) After the pharmacist views the prescription drug order, this order shall be immediately reduced to a hard copy or an electronic document and shall contain all information required by federal and state laws and regulations. (Authorized by K.S.A. 65-1630; implementing K.S.A. ~~2004~~ 2008 Supp. 65-1642; effective Feb. 5, 1999; amended Dec. 27, 1999; amended June 2, 2006; amended P-

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